

## 2020 Whimsy "Old Vine" Merlot

**CERTIFICATION:** Organic - Ecocert. Suitable for vegans & vegetarians.

## IN THE VINEYARD:

Variety: 100% Merlot

Appellation: VQA Lincoln Lakeshore

Brix at harvest: 22.5°

## IN THE WINERY:

Hand harvested from the Laundry vineyard located in the Lincoln Lakeshore subappellation. Grapes were destemmed and crushed before indigenous fermentation and malolactic conversion in oak vat. Following a total maceration time of 20 days, the grapes were gently pressed, and the wine settled before barrel aging for 15 months. Two barrels were selected (one of which was new oak) and blended to create this SIP club selection wine.

Alcohol: 13.9% Residual Sugar: 1.2 g/l TA 5.8 g/l pH: 3.6

Closure: Diam cork

Cases Produced: 58

## IN THE GLASS:

Aromas of baking spice, mushroom, blackberry, mocha, and dark cherries. Baker's chocolate on the palate with coffee, graphite, and black plum flavours. Some grippy tannins and bright acidity complement each other with a weighty mouthfeel. This is a Merlot that's great for enjoying now or for laying down for a several years.

